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SUBJECT: DEATH OF INDIAN PRESIDENT: US REPRESENTATION; ARRIVAL STATEMENT

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- 1. SUGGEST FOLLOWING ARRIVAL STATEMENT, SHOULD ONE BE DESIRABLE, ON ARRIVAL PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE TO FUNERAL OF INDIAN PRESIDENT:
- 2. QUOTE. I AM TRULY SADDENED THAT MY FIRST RETURN TO INDIA IN MANY YEARS SHOULD BE FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONVEYING THE SYMPATHY AND CONDOLENCES OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AND PRESIDENT CARTER PERSONALLY TO THE PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, AND TO THE FAMILY OF THE LATE PRESIDENT ON THE SUDDEN AND UNEXPECTED LOSS THEY HAVE SUFFERED. MR AHMED'S LONG LIFE IN THE SERVICE FIRST OF FREEDOM FOR INDIA AND THEN FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE LIVES OF ALL INDIANS AFTER INDEPENDENCE IS HIS REAL MEMORIAL. IT IS ONE IN WHICH HIS FAMILY, HIS COUNTRY, AND THOSE OF US IN THE US WHO DEEPLY ADMIRE AND RESPECT THIS COUNTRY CAN SHARE A COMMON PRIDE. ENDQUOTE.
- 3. EMBASSY WILL TRY TO GET AS MUCH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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POSSIBLE ON SCHEDULE AND PROGRAM FOR FUNERAL CEREMONIES, AND WHETHER STATEMENT ON ARRIVAL MAY BE APPROPRIATE. THIS WILL PROBABLY NOT, HOWEVER, BE POSSIBLE UNTIL OPENING OF BUSINESS BY GOI MORNING FEB 12.

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